

HEALTH CARE FRAUD ELIMINATION TASK FORCE

Public Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2018

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The Health Care Fraud Elimination Task Force met and held a meeting open to the public on March 1, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the Office of Executive Inspector General located at 69 W. Washington, Suite 3400, Chicago, IL 60602. There was a live videoconference feed to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services - Office of Inspector General located at 2200 Churchill Road, Building 2B, Springfield, IL 62702. Individuals also participated via conference call.

The Task Force members in attendance were the Executive Inspector General for the Office of Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, the Deputy General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer for the Office of the Governor, and the Special Counsel and Policy Advisor to the Governor for Healthcare and Human Services. There were also representatives from the following agencies — Illinois Department of Insurance, Illinois Department of Central Management Services, Office of the Governor, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, Office of Executive Inspector General for the Agencies of the Illinois Governor, Illinois State Police Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology, Illinois Department on Aging, and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

I. Chair's Welcome

Executive Inspector General (EIG) Maggie Hickey, Chair of the Task Force, welcomed the speaker, Heather McShain, along with all those in attendance to the public meeting. Members of the Task Force introduced themselves.

The minutes from the December 13, 2017, public meeting had previously been circulated to the Task Force via email. The Task Force members adopted the minutes.

II. Update Regarding Task Force Activities

Chair EIG Hickey provided an update on the activities of the Medicaid Working Group. Chair EIG Hickey discussed ways to increase information sharing as well as the process for verifying credentials of transportation companies. The Workers' Compensation Commission Chairman, Joann Fratianni, gave an update regarding the Workers' Compensation Working Group's ongoing discussion regarding return-to-work programs, including light duty assignments. Chairman Fratianni also discussed that the Working Group initiated updates to the workers' compensation fraud referral process and has been researching best practices used by other states. Associate General Counsel for the Governor's Office Heather Weiner, gave an update regarding the State Employees Group Insurance Working Group's recent discussion regarding enhancements to the MyBenefits system to reduce fraud. Ms. Weiner also highlighted a questionnaire developed by the Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) that was submitted to vendors to

identify best practices and CMS's wellness initiative to add blood pressure machines in some State agency buildings.

III. United States Attorney's Office Health Care Fraud Unit Presentation

Deputy Chief in the Financial Crimes Section and Supervisor of the Health Care Fraud Unit at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois Heather McShain presented to the Task Force. Deputy Chief McShain provided an overview of the U.S. Attorney's Office Health Care Fraud Unit, including information about the volume of health care fraud investigations, regular meetings with State and federal partners, and factors it considers when deciding whether to open an investigation. Deputy Chief McShain also discussed advancements in data analytics and how those tools have enabled the U.S. Attorney's Office to be more efficient in conducting its investigations. Deputy Chief McShain invited the Task Force members to the bi-annual U.S. Attorney's Office Health Care Fraud Task Force meetings.

IV. Task Force Questions and Answers

The Task Force members engaged in a discussion about information sharing with the Illinois Department of Professional and Financial Regulation and possible limitations due to privacy laws.

V. Public Comments and Questions

There were no public attendees at this meeting. Chair EIG Hickey thanked everyone for their participation and adjourned the meeting.